

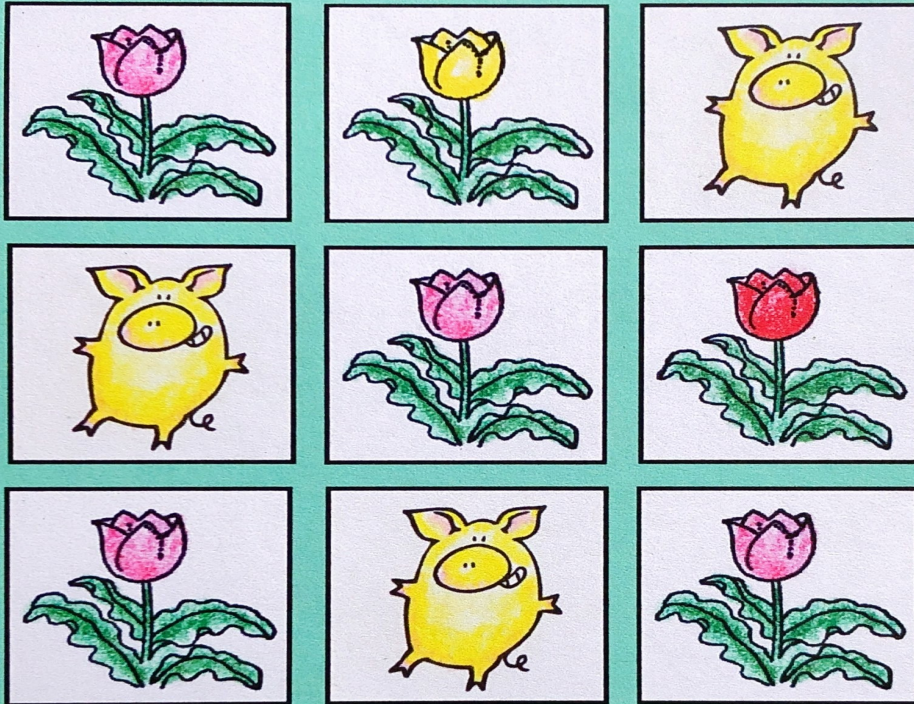


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HELLO

Hello Happy Pig Collectors!

After doing the newsletter for several years, Patsy has retired. I like to read newsletters, but I don't know anything about putting them together so, please bear with me. Patsy did an incredible job. I have some big shoes to fill. I promise to do my best.

A little about me...

I reside in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with my husband Jason. I first joined the club for a short time around 1998. After many years I found the club on FaceBook. I was thrilled to learn the club still existed and rejoined in 2017. My husband and I attended the last three conventions. We enjoyed meeting other members as well as viewing their collections. Although I love all pig items, I mostly collect piggy banks and piggy bank related items. In recent months I have purchased a few piggy planters and salt & pepper shakers that match my banks. (Sshh, don't tell my husband.) I like to call them "companion pieces" or "matching accessories".

This is your newsletter. We are Happy Pig Collectors so I want to see your collections! Have pig news, funny stories, photos, puzzles, jokes, art and articles? Send it to me. Are you searching for a pig item? Let me know. You can send me *any* pig-related items for future newsletters via email or "snail" mail.

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If you send items though the mail and would like them returned, let me know and I will send them back to you.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Your Pig Pal in PA,

Sheri McManus

LETTER FROM THE HEAD HOG



Hello, fellow members. Been a very strange year. So glad to have Sheri stepping up to the plate for the newsletter. Thanks out to Patsy for the wonderful news letters of the past. Been thinking of down the road to convention time. If able to have it this year, Marie and I were thinking of getting with Becky if she would be willing and going forward with some of the plans and ideas she had for the cancelled convention. That would only be one possibility, we are open to other ideas and volunteers. Hoping the worst of the virus is behind us and the vaccines can help put things back to some type of normality. The virus did give me one of my funniest memories that will always stay with me. I was out to Wal Mart , the six foot apart mandate was still in place. I was trying to move down the lane, there was an elderly woman visiting in the aisle with another lady, I tried to squeeze past her and headed on down the lane just as she yelled out to me "Six feet you idiot". I will never forget that. Looking forward to seeing all of you again.

John

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY GENE!

Gene Holt, Founder of The Happy Pig Collector's Club celebrated his 91st birthday this past December. We hope he enjoyed his special day and wish him a year filled with good luck, good health, much happiness and plenty of pigs.



How did Gene celebrate? With a pig cake of course! It looks yummy!



Photos submitted by Megan Holt Swanson



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

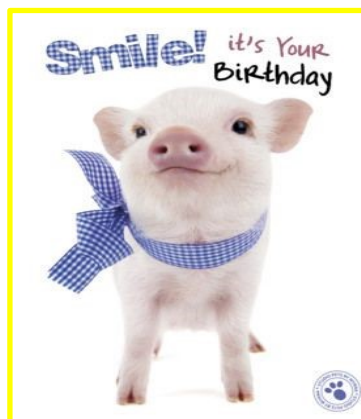
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HPCC MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to our own Janet Booth who was selected as Nashville's Hometown Hero in January. You make us proud!



Hometown Hero: Nashville woman recognized for her work with homeless, church, at home

by Adrian Mojica Friday, February 5th 2021

NASHVILLE, Tenn.--FOX 17 News Nashville and Ponce Law Firm are proud to honor Janet Booth, selected as our Hometown Hero for the month of January.

Booth was nominated for her efforts in the community and tireless work as a volunteer. "She never complains, is always positive, and brings cheer to all," says husband Terry.

Terry says his wife Janet wakes up at 3:30 in the morning each day then goes to the Fair Grounds to feed the homeless three meals daily. When she's done with work, she goes home to help her husband who has been suffering from the effects of his fight with COVID-19, Janet herself overcoming the virus.

Terry adds his wife is also the Deacon at their church and during normal times she volunteers throughout the year to work at Luke 14. As Terry puts it, "she is the greatest person I have ever met."

Article & Photo from Fox17.com

HPCC MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

HPCC Member Glenn Allen's fame as a pig collector knows no limits as his local newspaper recently reported on his passion for pig collecting. They know a good story when they see it.

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Glenn Allen lives in pig heaven

Local passionate for pig collecting

DARLENE SPENCER
For the Pinnacle

Who knew that while attending Light Up Inverness with a lady friend last month, I would be introduced to my next story. How many people that you meet hand you a mini piglet? Glenn Allen gifts people with the adorable keepsakes to promote pig collecting. My first thought was it was amusing (or a new line) but, after a lengthy conversation, it was clear this was a serious hobby. After visiting his Citrus Hills home later that month, it was undeniable just how serious it was.


The volume of the pig collection in Glenn's Celina Hills home was overwhelming from the minute you walked in the door. The Christmas tree itself was loaded with pig ornaments, although Glenn wasn't sure exactly how many.

There were magnets, ceramics, stuffed animals, figurines, art pieces, music boxes, piggy banks, coffee mugs, and the list goes on; swine were on and around furniture, on walls and special shelving, and in the yard and lanai. Pigs of all shapes and sizes were everywhere. ... you get the picture. When Old MacDonald said, "Everywhere an oink, oink," he could have been talking about the Allen home instead of the farm. They range from antiques to what some would call yard sale pick-ups.

One of my favorite pieces was a "Boss" Money Box. The "pretty rare" piece shows a pig sitting at a desk with a boss sign. Glenn guesstimated there were only 20 of this box made for distribution. When you insert a coin or token, it plays "Sunrise, Sunset," from "Fiddler on the Roof." Carved out of wood and painted, they added Mr. Boss to their collection during a Thailand trip.

How does someone get started pig collecting? Glenn says, "Sue's the reason that I collect pigs. She was Korean and Orientals love pigs and I was trying to drive her nuts," or more likely

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DARLENE SPENCER/For the Pinnacle

You'll know if you've met Glenn Allen, since he will bestow you with an adorable mini piglet to promote pig collecting.

HPCC MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

GLENN

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impress her, when they first met.

According to website theculturetrip.com, the pig stands for good luck, abundance, determination and fertility. Glenn's tactic worked since he says she never complained about the collecting during their 37 years of marriage before she passed this last April. Being members of the "Happy Pig Collectors Club," Glenn posted a loving tribute to Sue in the monthly newsletter. The photo in the memorial is when they were enjoying the sunset in Key West. Glenn mused "that's the way I'm sure she would like to be remembered, along with the nickname of "Sue Feed the World." He lovingly says, "She was a dynamo."

When meeting people Glenn would ask if they knew what Sue's claim to fame was.

Then he would explain that when she was two she, and her six brothers, were sent to Hiroshima. They were nuked by the federal government and were some of the fortunate who lived to tell about it. Although Sue and her brothers were in different areas of the country, all survived. When he first heard her story, he knew he wanted someone with that kind of luck in his life.

Glenn is from Maine where four generations of his family lived. He



DARLENE SPENCER/For the Pinnacle

The master bedroom in the Allen household displays many of Glenn's pig collection.

showed me an 1897 Ken-sal, Maine class ring that belonged to his grandfather. It seems logical, therefore, that Maine is where Glenn and Sue built their "Dream House" in 1990, especially since his uncle had a lumber mill there. The striking 36-foot hexagon house with red-wood beams and floors of local Maine Chelmsford granite with an attached wing was home to even more sows. The home had a 50 inch long couch that was covered in pigs. Glenn says he would tell people, "Sit on the floor and play with the pigs" when they looked for seating. There was 550-feet of custom shelving since Sue's

brother was a carpenter and lived in the same town, part of which was covered with a pig coffee cup collection. There are also a lot of pig books, both fiction and non-fiction.

Once Sue had Glenn stack up his pig T-shirts and it was four feet high! Glenn smiles as he says, "We really did get inundated."

Getting back to the "Happy Pig Collectors Club," of which Glenn is secretary, one year the Allens hosted the annual convention at their Maine dream home. Since most members were originally pig farmers and near the Illinois area, he was

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Some people put dishes or knickknacks in display cases, Glenn has his cases packed with pig collectibles with barely a space to spare.

HPCC MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

GLENN

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surprised at the large turnout and happy to sell some of his duplicate pigs in a garage sale.

In 2008 at the Nashville convention the club toured the home of Wilbur, the pig in Rutherford County who posed for the re-release of "Charlotte's Web." According to an article in the Times-Gazette, a member, Jean Sharp laughed saying, "We got his autograph. They had a stamp made up with his hoof print." It's obvious the members have fun and seem like one PIG happy family.

According to Facebook, the club has over 700 members in the U.S., Europe and Australia, but usually only 60-70 attend the conventions. The club would have celebrated its 25th anniversary this year but, like many other events, the convention was canceled due to COVID.

How did Glenn and Sue end up in Citrus County? They first started coming down when his parents retired and couldn't tolerate the harsh Maine winter. The parents tried Mexico and Texas and then bought a place in Clearwater. Unfortunately, the home was near U.S. 19 and his mother had asthma so they realized quickly that wasn't going to work. Glenn and his Dad set



DARLENE SPENCER/For the Pinnacle

Glenn posted a heartfelt tribute to his wife Sue, known as the pig wrangler, in the Happy Pig Collectors Club Newsletter when she died this past April after 37 years of marriage.

out looking at numerous areas in Central Florida until they found a double-wide on a canal in Inverness. Glenn said when he saw the property "all my lights were lit" and they bought it. In 2006 when foreclosures went nuts and with Sue calling the house the "Tin Box," Glenn started looking. They bought the Celina Hills home at an auction and Glenn says, "been happy here ever since." According to Glenn, the home was built on what was a watermelon field. They had to seal up the wells when developing and, he understands, there is a well head in the foundation. He doesn't know where, but chuckles when saying, "Perhaps it will anchor the house in case of a hurricane." Since their move here, Glenn has

recruited one of his brothers to move to the area, with another living in Myrtle Beach.

If you think Glenn and Sue were unusual in their pig collecting, it surprised me to find that a woman in the UK, Anne Langton, was listed in the Guinness Book of Records with 16,779 pig items as of 2011, which she has been collecting for 40 years.

Preparing to leave, Glenn handed me a little "Baby Pigs at Play" piece. Smiling he said, "I'm really trying to turn you into a pig collector." And "don't forget the club motto: When you see a pig, think of me!" Ironically, everywhere I've gone since our interview I see pigs. ... and think of your neighbor, Glenn.

Article submitted by Glenn Allen

LET THE PIG GAMES BEGIN

Bored? Looking for something fun and pig related to do while staying home? Try a board game! There are hundreds of piggy games to choose from. Although many are for the little kiddo's there are quite a few that are fun for adults too, especially those that are young at heart. Here are a few of my favorites.

Pop! The Pig (by Goliath/Ages 4+)

Although for smaller children, I still love to play it. You take turns feeding the pig a hamburger until he pops. Whoever makes the pig pop wins. Sounds messy but it is a lot of fun.



Stinky Pig (by Playmonster/Ages 6+)

Poke Stinky Pig's belly to hear him sing, roll the die and pass him right or left but do it fast before he toots! They don't call him Stinky for nothing. If you are holding Stinky when he passes gas, you get a token. The player with the fewest tokens wins.



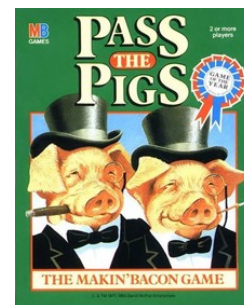
Dirty Pig (by North Star Games/Ages 6+)

Fun and easy to learn card game. Be the first player to dirty all of your pigs. A dirty pig is a happy pig in this game.



Pass the Pigs (Milton Bradley/Winning Moves Games/ Ages 7+)

This is a game where pigs are used as dice. This game has been around for quite a while. It first appeared in '70s (Milton Bradley) and has received a makeover in recent years. Now produced by Winning Moves Games, there is also a giant version and Pig Party version where 4 players can play all at once.

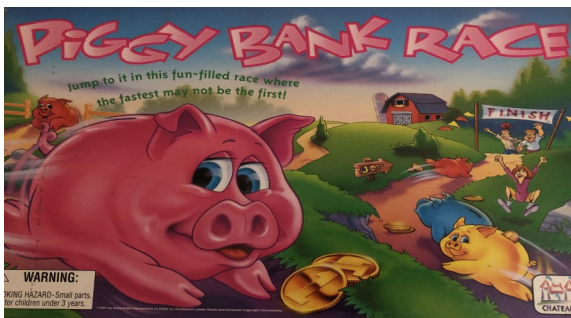


LET THE PIG GAMES BEGIN

As I mentioned in my “Hello”, I collect piggy banks and piggy bank related items, this includes games. The following are 2 games from my actual collection.

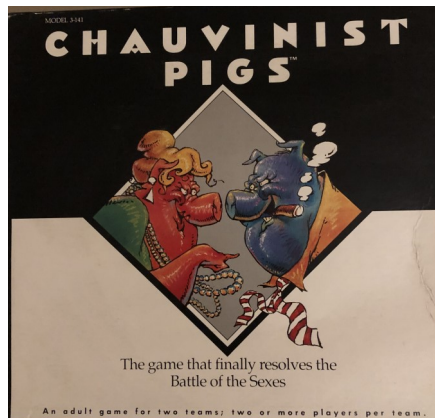
Piggy Bank Race (by Chateau/Ages 7+)

Roll the dice to move your pig and race along the track to get to the finish line. Land on special spaces and get gold coins to put in your bank. Land on other marked spaces and put a black coin in your opponents bank. . The player with the most gold coins wins.



Chauvinist Pigs (by Tiger Games/Ages 18+)

Get ready to battle the opposite sex in this game. There is stack of cards, blue for men and pink for women. The cards have questions with answers to which each sex should know. A pink card might ask a question about cooking or sewing. A blue card might ask about sports. The team with the most chips in their piggy bank wins.



Years before I purchased the Chauvinist Pigs game, I found the pink and blue piggy banks (shown above) at a flea market. I collect piggy banks so of course I had to buy them. I had no idea they were part of a game. A few years later I saw the game at a flea market and realized the pigs were part of the game. I bought the game and now have 2 sets of banks. One in the game and the other on the shelf.

HAPPY BELATED HOGIDAYS!

The holidays came and went. I hope everyone had a happy and healthy holiday and received lots of piggy presents. I didn't receive any piggy-related gifts for Christmas. Bah Humbug! If you received a piggy-related gift for the holidays, your birthday or just because, please share it in a future newsletter. You can send a photo of the gift(s) and any details you want to share about that item to me by email or regular mail. See page 2 for my email and mailing address.



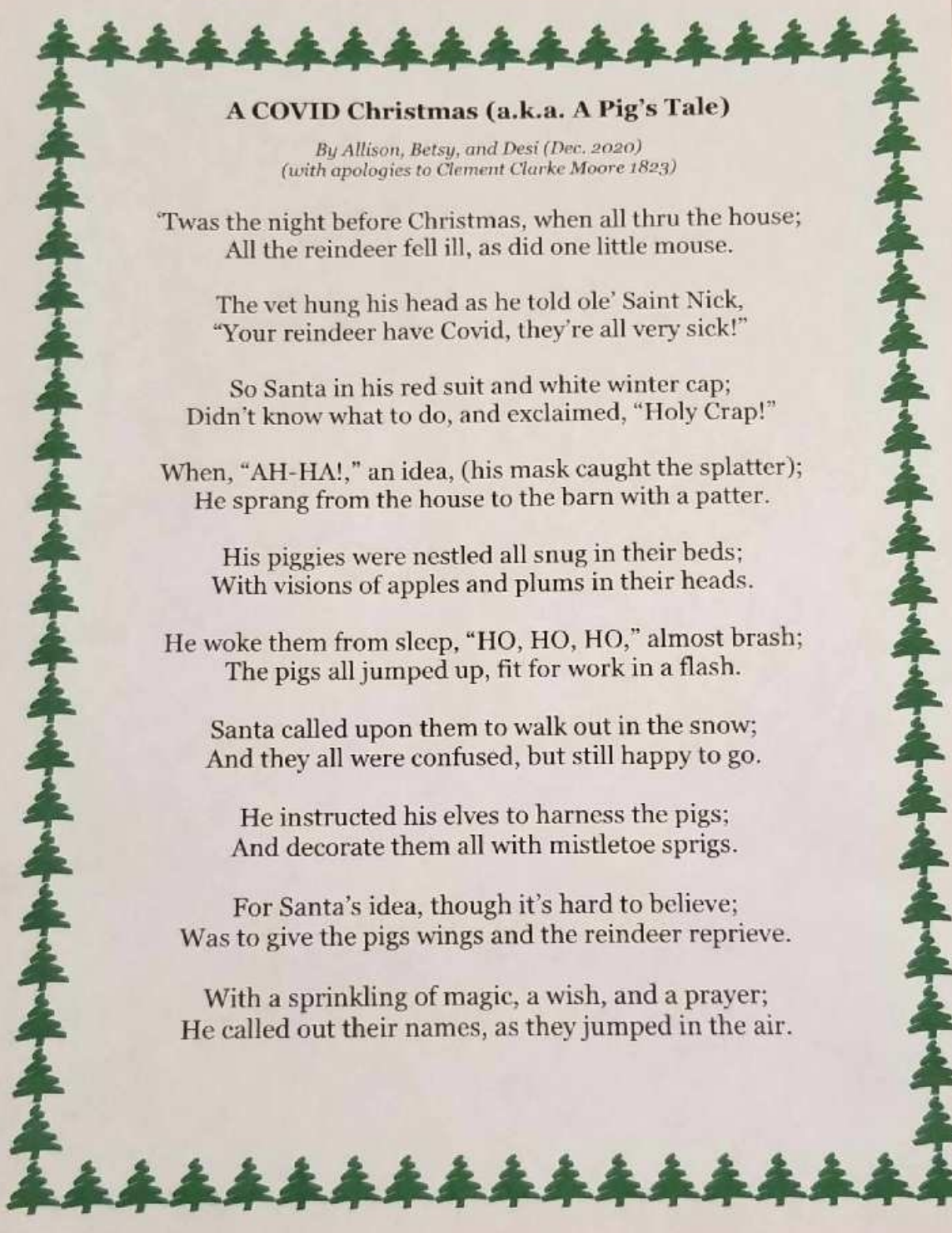
A Very Special Christmas Gift for Gene

For Christmas, Gene received this adorable pig drawn sleigh from his family.



Photo borrowed from The Happy Pig Collectors Club Facebook Page

To go with the sleigh, his daughter Betsy, son-in-law Desi and granddaughter Allison wrote this wonderful 2020 COVID Christmas poem - A COVID Christmas (a.k.a. A Pig's Tale). Megan, Gene's other granddaughter shared this on The Happy Pig Collector's Group on Facebook.



A COVID Christmas (a.k.a. A Pig's Tale)

*By Allison, Betsy, and Desi (Dec. 2020)
(with apologies to Clement Clarke Moore 1823)*

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all thru the house;
All the reindeer fell ill, as did one little mouse.

The vet hung his head as he told ole' Saint Nick,
"Your reindeer have Covid, they're all very sick!"

So Santa in his red suit and white winter cap;
Didn't know what to do, and exclaimed, "Holy Crap!"

When, "AH-HA!," an idea, (his mask caught the splatter);
He sprang from the house to the barn with a patter.

His piggies were nestled all snug in their beds;
With visions of apples and plums in their heads.

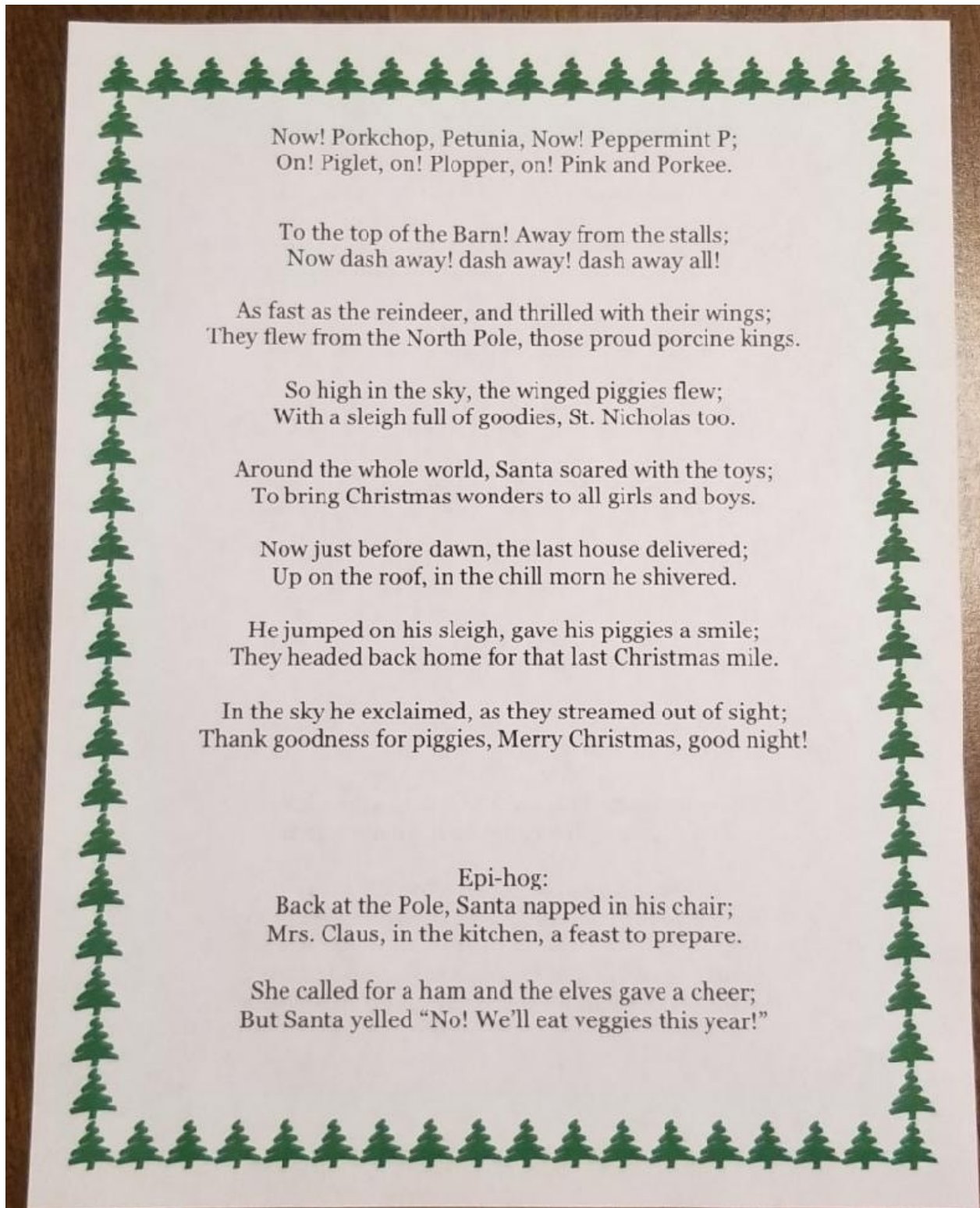
He woke them from sleep, "HO, HO, HO," almost brash;
The pigs all jumped up, fit for work in a flash.

Santa called upon them to walk out in the snow;
And they all were confused, but still happy to go.

He instructed his elves to harness the pigs;
And decorate them all with mistletoe sprigs.

For Santa's idea, though it's hard to believe;
Was to give the pigs wings and the reindeer reprieve.

With a sprinkling of magic, a wish, and a prayer;
He called out their names, as they jumped in the air.



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HAPPY PIG NEWSLETTER

Want to share your pig collection with other pig lovers? Have a funny pig story? Pig recipe? Unique way to display your collection? Send it to me. This is your newsletter and I want to hear from you. Send me your pig related items –stories, photos, art, poems, etc. I will take anything. I am open to all suggestions and ideas. You can send me your items/ideas/suggestions by email or mail.

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PIG ASSORTMENTS

Russo's Garlic Roast

1 5 to 7 lb. boneless pork roast	2 T. Traeger Pork & Poultry Rub
6 cloves garlic, peeled	3 T. course black pepper
	3 T. salt

Peel and quarter garlic lengthwise. Stick point of sharp knife into pork roast approximately every inch. While knife is still inserted in slit, slide piece of garlic along knife blade into roast. The closer the pieces of garlic the stronger the taste. Mix dry seasoning together and rub over outside of roast. Start your Traeger, switch to "medium". Place roast on grill and cook for 10 minutes. Switch to "smoke" and cook for 30 minutes. Switch to "high", cook for approximately 1-1/2 hours, or until internal meat temperature reaches 165° to 170°. Serves 6 to 8 people.
Recommended Pellets: Mesquite.

Submitted by Jean Sharp



Jean Sharp, Jay Lockhard & Terry Sharp at Rock City
Photo submitted by Jean Sharp

Did You Know?

Until nylon came to the fore, the most popular material used on the business end of toothbrushes — starting way back in 16th-century China — was hog bristles.

Submitted by Jean Sharp



From TN. Magazine
Feb 2021

Dear Connie Sue,

I read your column in *The Tennessee Magazine* and am hoping you can provide me information on this pig, which I think is a match/cigarette holder. I believe it originally belonged to my grandfather, but my father wasn't sure of its history. The only marking I can locate is what appears to be the number "685"

stamped on the underside. I would greatly appreciate any information you can provide — when it may have been manufactured, what it is made of, value, etc.

Judi, Murfreesboro

Dear Judi,

He's a boar-shaped cigar and match holder made of white metal around the World War II era. The inserts are brass. An exact match of your figural boar smoking set is offered on eBay for \$199. The number under his neck, as the seller sees it, is 635.

Another with a silver wash finish is offered by an antique shop and priced at \$357.50. For some reason I can't get that 50 cents out of my mind.

I did not find a sold listing to bring this range of value into reality.

Submitted by Jean Sharp from Tennessee Magazine Feb 2021

PIGGY BANK RELATED

In addition to collecting piggy banks, I collect piggy bank related items. What is a piggy bank related item? Any item that has a piggy bank on it is a piggy bank related item. Here are a few of my piggy bank related items.



HAM SCAM!

Every few years a strange pig couch finds its way on to Craigslist. Craigslist, for those that don't know, is an American website where you can sell and buy items, look for a job, and even find a place to live. Recently an advertisement for the pig couch has been making the rounds again. Sometimes the couch is advertised for free. Other times the "seller" is asking \$250 although they claimed to have paid over \$11,000 for it. The reason often given for selling the couch is that a boyfriend or girlfriend doesn't like it. Who wouldn't like a pig couch? Those that are interested in the couch will try to contact the seller and usually will not get a reply.



Although the ad is a hoax, the couch is not. It's also not a couch. According to the artist, Pavia Burroughs, it's a chair named Hillhock (a combination of "hillhock" and "ham hock"). Pavia made the chair in 2010 for her senior design thesis at Philadelphia's University of the Arts. It was inspired by an image from an illustrated puzzle book that was a favorite of Pavia's when she was a child.

The chair is mostly carved from insulation foam and is upholstered in dusty pink velvet and satin which, Burroughs hand-stitched herself. His two hooves were hand-carved from walnut. His entire body has been padded with upholstery foam and looks comfy. The chair took about 4 months to make.

In 2011 Burroughs sold the couch on Etsy.com for \$500. It was sold to the founder of Snort. Snort, based in Maryland, is a powerful "open source" detection software that provides network security. In case you are wondering, Snort still has the chair. Check out the recent photo of a Snort employee sitting on the infamous "couch".



FLASH BACK

Here is my letter I wrote to Gene with a few photos of my collection that made the Fall 1998 newsletter. My collection has grown a lot since then.

FROM THE DESK of SHERI McMANUS

Hi Gene!

I am sorry I was not able to attend The Happy Pig Collectors Club 3rd Annual Meeting/Convention in Illinois. It sounds like it would be a lot of fun, maybe I will be able to attend next year.

In your letter you asked that I tell a little bit about myself. Well there is not much to tell, but here goes:

My name is Sheri McManus and I am from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I am married. (No kids yet) I started collecting Piggy Banks a few years ago. When I was little I always loved banks. I had a small collection of all kinds of banks. The more unusual the bank looked the more I like it. I had a few "piggy" banks, but not many. Then when I got older I started buying more banks that were in pig form and it just stuck. I really love anything "pig" and because there are so many wonderful pig items to collect I decided to narrow it down to one type, banks. I have about 200 piggy banks at the moment. I collect all kinds of piggy banks. I have ceramic ones, cast-iron ones and plastic ones. I even have a plush one. If all my piggy banks were full, I would be rich.

Where do I get my pigs? Some are gifts, and some I bought at gift shops, etc. I get a majority of them at flea markets. A great place to find piggy banks or other pig collectibles in Pennsylvania is in Lancaster. Every other store in Lancaster is an antique shop. There are flags all over Lancaster that read "Lancaster is the Antique Capital of the World". I call it the "Piggy Capital of the World". I love it there. Another place to find piggy banks and other collectibles is on the World Wide Web. For those of you that are on-line there is an auction site that has a lot of piggy banks and piggy collectibles. The site is WWW.EBAY.COM. The auction is a lot of fun and there are always a lot of pigs to bid on daily. The prices range from very inexpensive to very, very expensive.

Where do I put them all? Right now they are temporarily on a shelf in an open closet (see picture). Actually what is on the shelves is just a portion of what I have. The rest of my pigs can be found throughout my house and in boxes. My husband and I are in the process of fixing up our house and hopefully when it is finished my piggys will have a place of their own. Pretty soon they will need a house of their own.

Well, that is about it. Please add me to your membership list. You can even put my e-mail address on it. My e-mail address is SheriPa@aol.com. I am so excited to be a member of the Happy Pig Collectors Club.

Pigfully yours,
Sheri McManus



Sheri McManus's piggy bank collection. These pigs could have a party. The band has started to play.



Sheri's closet - and I thought I was loaded with piggy banks

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The Happy Pig



Sheri McManus - piggy banks galore,
She's got plenty, and she wants more.

HARVEY S. BOLTON

Harvey passed from his worldly home near Henderson, IA., October 11, 1998. His bride, Darlene, is my bride's favorite cousin. Their birthdays are one day apart. Although they lived miles apart, they had good times together with a favorite aunt who was only blessed with boys.

Harvey farmed all his life, was active in his community, church and was a 4-H leader many years. Everytime we saw him or even on the phone, he always had a joke. Darlene can't find many pigs in her house but has been in our club and great advocate ever since it started. Harvey and Darlene's daughter Debbie Deitchler, Council Bluffs, IA., is a pig collector and also one of our members. Debbie painted a neat pig on a door mat. This gift is to nice to put on the floor. We wish God's strength and comfort to Darlene and Debbie and her brothers, Kenny and Rod and their families. - Gene & Betty Lou Holt

HAVEN'T GOT IT DONE YET

Our member, Terry Leafgreen, of Rio, IL. is a longtime MoorMan feed salesman. Larry Halleman of Nokomis, IL. is also in MoorMan sales. We had talked of getting together at the MoorMan Heritage Room near Quincy, IL. I figured the place would be loaded with interesting pig stuff. It would make a good story for *The Happy Pig*. It's one of those things I'd like to do. Terry sent me a clipping, part of which is copied below:

Heritage Room

Because of the significant role MoorMan's has played in the development of the Quincy community, as well as the agriculture industry in general, the Quincy Museum has approached MoorMan's with a proposal to acquire the Heritage Room collection. We are pleased to announce that MoorMan's has agreed to donate this historical collection to the Quincy Museum, with the moving of items to begin soon. By doing so, we will be able to retain the symbols of our heritage for the community at large, as well as for employees past and present to enjoy and reminisce.

The MoorMan story-from our humble beginnings back in 1885 to current status as a leader in the agriculture industry-will be the feature exhibit at the museum in April through December 1999. A sampling of the MoorMan's collection will be on display when the museum opens this month.

In 2000, the Quincy Museum will dedicate a room for permanently displaying the MoorMan's collections, periodically rotating items to create an ever-changing exhibit.

If you have a collection of MoorMan's memorabilia that you would like to share, either on a permanent or temporary basis, please contact Steve Adams, Director of the Quincy Museum at 217-224-7669. -- Gene Holt

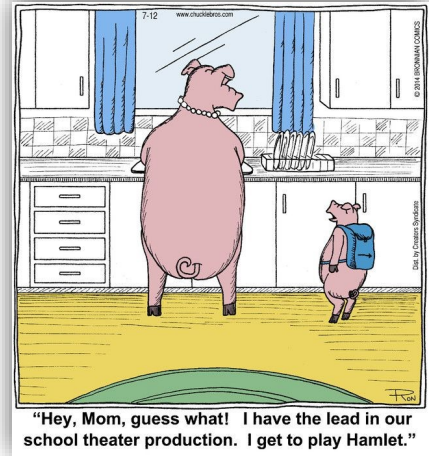
A SOURCE OF PIG JEWELRY

A "Nature's Jewelry" catalog came in the mail. It always has at least one page of pig jewelry. My bride has a wrist watch, earrings and a dancing pig couple pin from there. This catalog was recommended to us by Carol Blackman of Chicago. If you wish to send for a catalog the address is: Nature's Jewelry, 222 Mill Road, Chelmsford, MA. 01824-3692. This would be a good place to spend your extra Christmas money. -- Gene Holt

OINKIN' HILARIOUS



Submitted by Mona Lewis



Submitted by Jean Sharp



PIG PUZZLE ZONE

Three Little Pigs

I	T	O	O	L	E	R	I	R	E	H	T	O	M
B	E	S	Y	L	I	E	O	B	R	I	C	K	S
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B	P	I	U	N	C	A	P	L	N	R	P	Y	I
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R	S	S	L	A	M	I	N	A	E	U	O	H	A
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- LITTLE PIG
- ANIMALS
- HIDE
- PATTY PIG
- PENNY PIG
- STRAW
- BIG BAD WOLF
- MOTHER
- CHIMNEY
- HOUSE
- NARRATOR
- STICKS
- PETER PIG
- CHIN
- BUILD
- BLOW
- BRICKS

Submitted by Dorothy Stone



This is the image for the illustrated puzzle book that inspired the pig "couch" (page 19)